CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

ENGROSSED SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL 8014

57th Legislature 2002 Regular Session

Passed by the Senate March 12, 2002 CERTIFICATE YEAS 41 NAYS 0 I, Tony M. Cook, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is ENGROSSED SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL 8014 President of the Senate as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon Passed by the House March 6, 2002 set forth. YEAS 94 NAYS 0 Speaker of the Secretary House of Representatives FILED Approved

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Secretary of State

State of Washington

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By Senators Prentice, Winsley, Costa, Deccio, Thibaudeau, B. Sheldon, Fairley, Franklin, Shin, Rasmussen, Regala, Kastama, Patterson, Hochstatter, Gardner, Haugen, Honeyford, Constantine, Jacobsen, McAuliffe, Oke and Kohl-Welles

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- 1 TO THE COMMISSIONER OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY, THE DIRECTOR OF THE
- 2 DEPARTMENT OF SERVICES FOR THE BLIND, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE
- 3 DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES COUNCIL, THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF
- 4 VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH
- 5 SERVICES, THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE GOVERNOR'S COMMITTEE ON
- 6 DISABILITY ISSUES AND EMPLOYMENT, THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC
- 7 INSTRUCTION, AND THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE WORK FORCE TRAINING AND
- 8 EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD:
- 9 We, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of
- 10 the State of Washington, in legislative session assembled, respectfully
- 11 represent and petition as follows:
- 12 WHEREAS, The state has a strong interest in meeting the needs of
- 13 businesses for skilled workers; and
- 14 WHEREAS, The largest potential source of such workers within the
- 15 state is the disability community, with a current unemployment rate of
- 16 nearly seventy percent; and
- 17 WHEREAS, The state has a strong interest in enhancing opportunities
- 18 for disabled persons; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Disabled persons are a priority population under the

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20 federal Workforce Investment Act; and

- 1 WHEREAS, The state should encourage fair and equal employment and 2 training opportunities for disabled persons;
- NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialists request that your offices work together to:
- 5 (1) Identify effective employment and training services in the 6 state's work source and education systems for people with disabilities;
- 7 (2) Identify barriers to the delivery of effective services to 8 people with disabilities;
- 9 (3) Identify benchmarks and performance measures to be used in 10 determining success in the provision of employment and training 11 services for people with disabilities;
- 12 (4) Provide training and technical assistance to local work force 13 boards and their training and employment services partners to improve 14 their outreach and delivery of services to people with disabilities;
- 15 (5) Make recommendations to the legislature and the governor 16 regarding any statutory or administrative changes necessary to improve 17 the delivery of employment and training services to people with 18 disabilities; and
 - (6) Report to the legislature and the governor annually on the outcomes of the efforts undertaken to improve the delivery of employment and training services to people with disabilities, including examples of specific programs or services that have benefited people with disabilities. This may be accomplished by your offices providing the necessary information to the Executive Director of the Developmental Disabilities Council and the Executive Secretary of the Governor's Committee on Disability Issues and Employment, and by their compiling a report from the information and forwarding it to the legislature and the governor.
- 29 BE IT RESOLVED, That copies of this Memorial be immediately 30 transmitted to the Commissioner of Employment Security, the Director of 31 the Department of Services for the Blind, the Executive Director of the Developmental Disabilities Council, the Director of the Division of 32 Vocational Rehabilitation in the Department of Social and Health 33 34 Services, the Executive Secretary of the Governor's Committee on 35 Disability Issues and Employment, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, and the Executive Director of the Work Force Training and 36 37 Education Coordinating Board.

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